

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 807

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the feasibility and suitability of establishing a memorial to the Space Shuttle Columbia in the State of Texas and for its inclusion as a unit of the National Park System.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 5, 2007

Mr. GOHMERT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Columbia Space Shut-
5 tle Memorial Study Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) MEMORIAL.—The term “memorial” means
2 a memorial to the Space Shuttle Columbia that is
3 subject to the study in section 3(a).

4 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
5 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
6 rector of the National Park Service.

7 **SEC. 3. STUDY OF SUITABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF ES-**
8 **TABLISHING MEMORIALS TO THE SPACE**
9 **SHUTTLE COLUMBIA.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the
11 date on which funds are made available, the Secretary
12 shall conduct a special resource study to determine the
13 feasibility and suitability of establishing a memorial as a
14 unit or units of the National Park System to the Space
15 Shuttle Columbia on land in the State of Texas described
16 in subsection (b) on which large debris from the Shuttle
17 was recovered.

18 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The parcels of land re-
19 ferred to in subsection (a) are—

20 (1) the parcel of land owned by the Fredonia
21 Corporation, located at the southeast corner of the
22 intersection of East Hospital Street and North Fre-
23 donia Street, Nacogdoches, Texas;

24 (2) the parcel of land owned by Temple Inland
25 Inc., 10 acres of a 61-acre tract bounded by State

1 Highway 83 and Bayou Bend Road, Hemphill,
2 Texas;

3 (3) the parcel of land owned by the city of
4 Lufkin, Texas, located at City Hall Park, 301
5 Charlton Street, Lufkin, Texas; and

6 (4) the parcel of land owned by San Augustine
7 County, Texas, located at 1109 Oaklawn Street, San
8 Augustine, Texas.

9 (c) ADDITIONAL SITES.—The Secretary may rec-
10 ommend to Congress additional sites in the State of Texas
11 relating to the Space Shuttle Columbia for establishment
12 as memorials to the Space Shuttle Columbia.

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